restore the reservoir voidage balanct as well as environmental conditions in Assam.

Clash in crude production by ONGC

4250. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI:

SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state the reasons for ONGC's clash in crude production target annually when the demand for crude is increasing steadily?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): The lower anticipated crude oil production is largely on account of rectificatory measures being undertaken in the Bombay High field, reservoir constraints and the environment in Assam.

Offer to Government to international companies

4251. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLIUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whehter it is a fact that except Shell and Hyundai there are not many takers so far for the Government's offer to international oil companies to develop proven oil and gas fields in the country;

(b) if so, what are the reasons thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to revise the terms offered to foreign oil companies to make them more attractive; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The terms offered are generally perceived as attradtive by companies. However, it is sought to ensure that these terms are competitive with those offered by other countries by a review of the terms from time to time.

Closure of LPG agencies in Gujarat/UP

4252. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:

SHRI RAM SINGH RATHWA:

CHAUDHARY HARMOHAN SINGH:

..Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) What is the number of LPG agencies in Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh that have been closed during last three years,

(b) What are the reasons therefor and how anmy of them have been grated permission to start operation again: and

(c) What are the details of the agencies against which inquiry has not been completed as yet?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHAMA): (a) to (c) During the period 1989-90 to 1991-92, three LPG distributorships were terminated in U.P., as charges of malpractices and irregularities were established against them on completion of enquiry. None of them has been granted permission to restart peration. No, distributorship was terminated in Gujarat during the said period.

Crisis in India carbon Limited Guwahati

4253. SHRI DAVID LEDGER: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that the India carton Limited, Guwahati, is facing closure; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?